

FEDERAL WIRE SERVICE BILL BEFORE SENATE

Gore Introduces Measure and Criticizes Utility Available to Washingtonians.

Senator Gore yesterday introduced a bill calling for government ownership of telephone lines in the District. The bill conforms to recommendations of the Postmaster-General and provides that any surplus in the postal revenues shall be utilized to acquire telephone service. A similar bill was introduced in the last Congress by the Oklahoma Senator in the Senate and by Representative Lewis of Maryland in the House, but both measures failed.

"I am not particularly insistent upon a surplus of postal funds being utilized for this purpose, and in fact I would accept an amendment authorizing a straight purchase," the Senator said last night.

"I realize that there is widespread dissatisfaction with the existing service, but that did not influence me in advocating this measure."

"I am interested in seeing Washington a model city and this strikes me as one practical step in that direction. The fact that we are at war makes this bill timely in a war center, but I shall not press it as a war measure."

"Government ownership and operation would be largely experimental, but I am confident it would prove a success and result in an extension of Federal control of public utilities."

Commissioner Brownlow to Talk. Commissioner Louis Brownlow will address a special meeting of the City Firemen's Union tonight at Perpetual Hall, 1101 E street northwest, at 7:30 o'clock.

Discussion of the two-plant system which has been recommended to Congress by the District Commissioners will be the chief topic. The firemen feel confident that Congress will accept the recommendations of the Commissioners, as it has been passed unanimously by the various civic associations in this city.

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That Rookie from the 13th Squad.

By P. L. Crosby



THE END OF A PERFECT DAY

ALEXANDRIA SHIVERS; SEEKS MORE COAL

Freight Congestion Causes Suffering Across the River.

Alexandria, Va., Dec. 14.—The coal situation here is regarded as serious. There is practically no anthracite coal in the city. There is, however, a supply of bituminous coal on hand. George E. Warfield, chairman of the fuel board for this city and Alexandria County, stated today a number of cars of anthracite coal are on route to this city, but tied up as a result of the freight congestion. Coal dealers of the city are doing the best they can in making up an equal distribution of the coal received.

Committees have been appointed to wait on business men and citizens in the new law campaign of the River. One of which Robert L. Payne is manager and Miss Mary E. Lindsay chairman.

Booths will be located at the following places: Union Station, post office, Swan Bros., D. Bendheim & Son, S. F. Dyson & Bro., R. E. Knight & Son, this city; Jacob Glassman, Del Ray; Sol Cohen, Del Ray; Potomac Supply Company, St. Elmo.

Memorial wreaths today were placed on Washington's tomb at Mount Vernon by three Masonic lodges in observance of the one hundred and eighth anniversary of his death. They were taken by delegations from Alexandria-Washington Lodge, of this city; Fredericksburg Lodge, Fredericksburg, Va.; and Washington Lodge, New York City.

The funeral of Rev. J. T. Thompson, 53 years old, who died in Gonzales, Pa., will take place at 12:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from Wheatley's mortuary chapel. Burial will be made in Christ Church cemetery.

The State Corporation Commission has granted a charter to the Marine Officers' Club, Inc., Quantico, Va. There is no capital stock. Officers are: John A. Lejeune, president; Washington, D. C.; George Van Orden, secretary and treasurer; Quantico, Va.

In the Corporation Court yesterday, Judge L. C. Bailey, presiding, Arthur G. Wood, colored, indicted for violating the provisions of the State prohibition law, entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve thirty days in jail and pay a fine of \$50.

Charles E. Corbett, this city, has enlisted in the Quartermaster Corps, and left tonight for the training camp at Jacksonville, Fla.

A cable under the overhead bridge at the Union Railway Station took fire shortly after 7 o'clock tonight, and the motor engine soon extinguished the blaze.

Three hundred members of the Engineers Corps, from Belvoir, Va., who were in Alexandria today en route to Fort Myer, Va., were entertained at luncheon in the Westminister Building by the Refreshment corps of the Red Cross under the direction of Miss Cora L. Cochran.

Sly Shots at the Solons.

By THE OBSERVER.

Fred C. Crabbe, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Wyoming, brother of the Crabbe who has similar duties in Maryland, has announced while attending a national gathering here, that his State will go to the aid of the Federal Government in its fight against the liquor traffic. "We do not propose to stay wet under such conditions," he says. And as in other States, the battle will be waged there next year with all candidates facing the duty of saying whether they are wet or dry. A thorough dry organization is under headway.

Congressman Sims has introduced a bill which seeks "to prevent the nullification of State anti-gambling laws by international or interstate transmission of race gambling bets or of racing odds." It is a national law at race watering and is designed to do away with it by prohibiting any common carrier from accepting messages which have to do with it.

A supreme council of national defense—one word more than the present council has in its title—is provided for in the British bill already before the house committee on military affairs. The author hopes to concentrate activity by means of such a body.

Representative Cooper's bill to amend the McKinley Birthplace Memorial Association Act names the incorporators of the organization and gives them power to carry on affairs with a view to perpetual establishment.

One more Secretary in the Cabinet—that is, if Representative Walsh has his way. This time the improvement shall be, of the Cabinet is sought by the addition of a Secretary of Marine and Fisheries. His duties under the proposed legislation are just what you think the name implies they are.

Senator McLean's bill increasing postal salaries by a large margin may have hard sledding. The proposal, for instance, to elevate salaries of men who receive from \$1,800 to \$2,000 a year to \$250 to \$300 a year is looked upon as unwarranted at this time. The impressions prevail, however, that perhaps the Connecticut senator proposed for more than he expected to get.

Educators of the country have not given up their quest for complete recognition and attainment of a Cabinet position in keeping with the dignity of their work. The bill to create a Secretary of Education is slumbering under pounds of other bills, but its friends, who must de-

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SAYS PURSUIT OF VILLA WAS BOON TO ARMY

Secretary Baker Also Praises Training Camp Plan in Annual Report.

Operations of the War Department for the fiscal year are told by Secretary of War Baker in his annual report given out last night. Beginning with the chase of the bandit Villa, the Secretary chronicles the work of his department up to the situations on the various battle fronts on July 1, 1918.

"The Mexican incident," Secretary of War Baker recalls in his report, "was valuable to the United States in two important ways. It has placed the determination of the government not to allow a menace to continue on our frontier and, in the second place, the mobilization of the regular army and the National Guard it gave an excellent opportunity for training the men and thus afforded a most serviceable foundation upon which to proceed with the larger expansion of the military establishment which we were soon called upon to undertake."

In speaking of the establishment of the first and second series of national training camps, Secretary of War Baker says: "It would be a national loss for me to fail to record in this place a just estimate of the value to the nation of these training camps for officers. They disclosed an unsuspected source of military strength. Nobody would suppose that, with the growing intricacy of military science and the industrial arts related to it, a country can dispense with trained professional soldiers."

"The body of professional soldiers must devote themselves unflinchingly to the development of the arts of war, and when the emergency arises must be familiar with the uses of science and the applications of industry in military enterprise. But these training camps have taught us that, given this relatively small body of professional soldiers, nobody has at hand an apparently inexhaustible body of splendid material which can be rapidly made to supplement the professional soldier."

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